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## Interview Summary

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Applicant(s)

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Examiner

Juan D. Valentin II

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Date of Interview: 07/05/2007.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference  
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☐ No.  
If Yes, brief description: \_\_\_\_\_.

Claim(s) discussed: 1, 16 and 17.

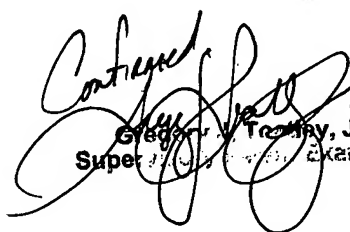
Identification of prior art discussed: Martin et al. (USPN '796) & Hoffman (USPN '038).

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN A NON-EXTENDABLE PERIOD OF THE LONGER OF ONE MONTH OR THIRTY DAYS FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE, OR THE MAILING DATE OF THIS INTERVIEW SUMMARY FORM, WHICHEVER IS LATER, TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

  
Gregory J. Troncy, Jr.  
Superintendent Examiner

  
July 5, 2007  
Examiner's signature, if required

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Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Examiner and applicant discussed possible ways to potentially overcome the prior art rejection to claim 1 over Martin et al. by further limiting the scope of the claim. No agreement was reached. Examiner indicated that the 101 rejection to claims 16-18 would be withdrawn in the next Office action. Applicant explained what was being claimed by the addition of "dynamically assigning" into the claim 16 pointing to the specification as originally filed (page 17, lines 14-24). Examiner indicated that an argument specifically explaining what is being claimed by "dynamically assigning" with specific reference to the specification would aid the examiner determination of whether Hoffman read on such claim language. No agreement was reached..